GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

MA&UD Department – Animal Birth Control, Rules, 2023 - Constitution of Local Animal Birth Control Monitoring Committees for planning and management of dog control programme across the State - Orders - Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (K) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt No.115 Date:18..02.2025,

Read the following: -

1. G.O.Rt.No.144, MA&UD(UBS) Dept., dated:02.03.2023.
2. Animal Birth Control Rules, 2023 issued vide Gazette Notification, dated 10th March, 2023, by the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Govt. of India, New Delhi.
3. Orders of the Hon'ble Division Bench (First Court) dt:29.01.2025 in the WP(PIL) No.81 of 2024.
4. G.O.Rt.No.97, MA&UD(K) Dept., dated:12.02.2025.
5. Minutes of the State Animal Birth Control Implementation & Monitoring Committee meeting held on 17.02.2025.

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O R D E R:-

Based on the proposal of the AH, DD&F Department received in the e-file No.1899157 and in accordance with the ABC (Dogs) Rules 2022 & the Gazette of India, issued by the Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, dated:31.07.2022, Government have constituted the State Animal Birth Control Implementation & Monitoring Committee and Local Animal Birth Control Monitoring and Implementation Committees along with their respective functions mentioned therein for effective implementation of the Animal Birth Control Programme in the State vide reference 1st read above.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, the Hon'ble High Court in its orders dated:29.01.2025 in WP(PIL) No.81 of 2024 filed by Sri Parvathaneni Hari Krishna, R/o Vijayawada, has directed the Government to take immediate steps for constitution of State Implementation and Monitory Committee in terms of Schedule-II of rules of 2023 within two weeks. Further, directed that immediately upon the constitution of the said Committee, it will be ensured that a meeting is convened in the 3rd week of February, 2025 and the Committee in the said meeting shall take steps for constitution of the Animal Birth Control Monitoring Committees throughout the State at the local authority level in accordance with Schedule -II Rules of 2023. Compliance report shall be filed by the Government with regard to the directions issued above within three weeks.

3 Keeping in view the orders of the Hon'ble High Court dt.29.01.2025 in WP(PIL) No.81 of 2024 & in terms of Schedule II of ABC Rules, 2023, in the first instance Government have re-constituted State Animal Birth Control Implementation and Monitoring Committee along with their respective functions mentioned therein for the effective implementation of the Animal Birth Control-Anti Rabies programme to control the population of street animals, for eradication of rabies and for reducing the man-animal conflict throughout the State in the reference 4th read above.

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4. In compliance with the orders of Hon'ble High Court in its orders dt.29.01.2025 in WP(PIL) No.81 of 2024, the State Animal Birth Control Implementation and Monitoring Committee meeting was held on virtual mode at 11 AM on 17.02.2025 under the Chairpersonship of Principal Secretary to Government, MA & UD Department, AP Secretariat and the Committee in the said meeting have decided to constitute the Local Animal Birth Control Monitoring Committees in all ULBs and all Grama Panchayats as a cluster or group in the State with the following members for effective implementation of Animal Birth Control Program, to control the population of street animals, for eradication of rabies and for reducing the man-animal conflict :-

I. Constitute the Local Animal Birth Control Monitoring Committees in all Municipalities and Corporations throughout the state as per schedule II of section 3 of Animal Birth Control, Rules, 2023, with the following members:

1	Municipal Commissioner or Executive Officer of the local authority	Ex- officio Chairman
2	A representative of the Health and Family Welfare Department of the District.	Member
3	A representative of the Animal Husbandry Department of the nearby Block or District.	Member
4	A jurisdictional veterinary doctor.	Member
5	A representative of the district Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.	Member

II. Constitute the Local Animal Birth Control Monitoring Committees in all Gram Panchayats as a cluster or group.

1	Village Secretary/Executive Officer	Member Convenor
2	Medical Officer working at nearest Public Health Centre of Health & Family Welfare Department.	Member
3	Local Veterinary Assistant Surgeon of Animal Husbandry Department.	Member
4	A representative of the district Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals or NGOs working in Animal Welfare in that area.	Member

In accordance with Schedule -II (Animal Birth Control) Rules-2023, Functions of the Local Animal Birth Control Monitoring Committee:

The committee shall be responsible for planning and management of dog control programme in accordance with these rules. The committee may:

i. Issue instructions for catching, transportation, sheltering, sterilization vaccination, treatment and release of sterilized vaccinated or treated dogs.

ii. Authorize veterinary doctor to decide on case to case basis the need to put to sleep critically ill or fatally injured or rabid dogs in a painless method by using sodium pentathol. Any other method is strictly prohibited.

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To be decided through a sub-committee comprising of two veterinary officers and a representative of a recognized Animal Welfare Organization. The sub-committee shall specify reasons in writing for euthanasia of each animal.

iii. Creating public awareness and solicit co-operation and funding.

iv. Providing guidelines to pet dog owners and commercial breeders from time to time.

v. Take such steps for the purpose of monitoring the dog bite cases and to ascertain the reasons of dog bite, the area where it took place and whether it was from a stray or a pet dog. For the purpose details may be collected from Human Hospital in a requisite format.

vi. Arrive at an estimate of the number of dogs within its territorial limits by conducting a census in the manner advised by the AWBI.

vii. Ensure development of the infrastructure required to execute the Animal Birth Control program for the estimated number of dogs. In order to do this, detailed project reports shall have to be prepared and submitted to the State Monitoring and Implementation Committee in coordination with the state government.

viii. The infrastructure shall be designed in such a manner to carry out area-wise animal birth control in a phased manner of at least 70% dogs in the targeted area before a new area is taken up. The infrastructure shall include, but not be limited to pre-operation preparation areas, Operation Theatres, post-op care, kennels, kitchen, store rooms for rations and medicines, parking area, residential rooms for veterinarians and attendants, quarantine wards, ambulances, etc.

5. The Animal Husbandry Dairy Development & Fisheries (AH,DD&F) Department, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development & Fisheries (AH, DD&F) Department
AP Secretariat, Velagapudi.
All the Committee Members through AH,DD&F Department, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi.

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The Director, Animal Husbandry Department, Vijayawada.
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